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METHOD FOR THREE-DIMENSIONAL IDENTIFICATION OF

OBJECTIONS

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed **July 3, 2002**, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application. A Request for Extension of Time is attached hereto and incorporated by reference, thereby extending the date from October 3, 2002 to January 3, 2003.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

(Amended) A method for three-dimensional identification of an object having an

object surface, said method comprising the steps of:

illuminating a digital micro mirror arrangement via a light source;

successively projecting a number of encoded illumination patterns by driving said digital micro mirror arrangement to sequentially illuminate said object surface, with the digital micro